



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Reniero et al.  
Appl. No.: 09/936,542  
Conf. No.: 7122  
Filed: September 10, 2001  
Title: LACTOBACILLUS STRAINS CAPABLE OF PREVENTING DIARRHOEA  
CAUSED BY PATHOGENIC BACTERIA AND ROTAVIRUSES  
Art Unit: 1651  
Examiner: D. Ware  
Docket No.: 112843-032

Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 2, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

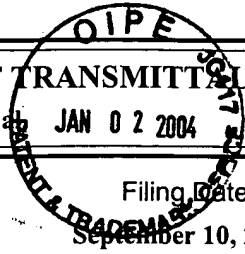
**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)</b>		Docket No. 112843-032	
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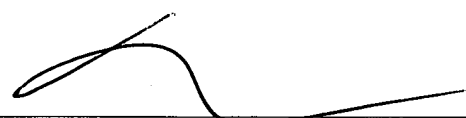
Invention: **LACTOBACILLUS STRAINS CAPABLE OF PREVENTING DIARRHOEA CAUSED BY PATHOGENIC BACTERIA AND ROTAVIRUSES**

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.  
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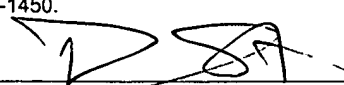
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INDEP. CLAIMS	7 -	7 =	0 x	\$86.00	\$0.00	
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